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METHOD FOR DETECTION OF
ADJACENT AND REMOTE LOCUS
ALLELES AS HAPLOTYPES

**REQUEST TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEYS OF RECORD
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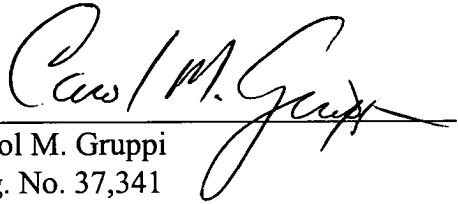
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